

DOCTOR'S WIFE MURDERED

MYSTERIOUS CRIME DISCOVERED IN CHICAGO.

Detectives on Entering the Home of Dr. Cleminson Found His Wife Dead and the Doctor Partly Unconscious—The Doctor Says Chloroform and Burglars.

CHICAGO, May 30.—A murder was discovered to-day when detectives from the Rogers Park station entered the home of Dr. Haldane Cleminson, 414 Wayne avenue. On entering the dwelling the body of Mrs. Nora Jane Cleminson, the daughter of the late John Morgan, a wealthy resident of South Haven, Mich., was found lying dead on her bed. A cone of medicated gauze from which the fumes of chloroform could be detected lay across her face. The body was cold and stiff, showing that the woman had been dead for several hours.

Lying on the couch in another room was the body of Dr. Cleminson. The physician was alive and Dr. Paul Hultner was attempting to resuscitate him. Dr. Cleminson was apparently not overcome by the anesthetic and according to physicians was simply in a hysterical condition.

The house was in disorder. Drawers were pulled from bureaus and book cases. Clothing was scattered about the floors. The residence bore the appearance of a place ransacked by thieves. But on investigation the police found both front and rear doors locked. All the windows were closed except one on the south of the dining room. This window was raised four inches, but was fastened by a burglar catch which had not been forced.

Acting on instructions from Capt. Kane and Lieut. Cullinan a more searching investigation was made, and it was found that dust on the window sills had not been touched, proving conclusively, the police say, that no burglars had entered the house. Dr. Cleminson was continually moaning "Burglars; my wife; they chloroformed both of us. Catch them, catch them." Two children, Haldane, 5 years, and John, 3 years old, were sleeping in a room adjoining their parents' but were not awakened during the night.

Dr. Cleminson, while not formally placed under arrest, was taken to the Alexian Brothers Hospital, where he is being guarded by policemen.

Convinced that the burglar theory is not the true solution of the murder, the police hope to have evidence to present before the coroner's jury to-morrow morning which will clear the mystery. Dr. Cleminson, it is expected, can give much valuable information which is so far believed to have been withheld. This is given by Lieut. Cullinan as the reason for the detention of the physician.

When taken to the hospital Dr. Cleminson told his first complete story of the supposed burglary and murder of his wife.

"About 10 o'clock," he said, "my wife looked up the residence and we retired. At 11 o'clock this morning I woke up feeling nauseated, and reached across the bed to my wife crying 'Wake up, Nora. I'm so sick.' Suddenly I discovered that her body had grown stiff, that she was dead. Frightened, I jumped from my bed and rushed to the telephone. I found that my clothing had been carried from the bedroom and that \$50 had been taken from my pocketbook. Struggling frantically, I reached the telephone. I had but two nickels, and one I used to call Dr. Hultner and the other to telephone my office. Then I fell unconscious upon the floor and did not come to until the physician arrived."

"Why did you not telephone the police if a burglary had been committed and the robbers had murdered your wife?" the physician was asked.

"I thought I could spend the two nickels more to advantage in calling the physician," he replied.

Later Dr. Cleminson contradicted himself when he told a reporter that his first idea was to call the police, but that he fell unconscious before he could reach the telephone.

At the hospital it was said that Dr. Cleminson was not suffering from anesthetic poisoning and that the only symptom noticeable was a slight increase in his pulse.

There were two theories advanced to-day, but the police took stock in but one. That burglars had broken into the house and chloroformed both Dr. Cleminson and his wife and that the wife, owing to her more frail condition, succumbed to the drug. The police declare this theory is not true on the ground that no evidence of thieves, excepting the torn up rooms, could be found, and because a valuable diamond ring and a valuable gold watch, which were said to be in the pocket with the alleged stolen \$50 in bills, were not taken. The police believe that some one who had access to the house both day and night killed the woman for some reason not as yet determined.

Another peculiar incident which occurred was that by the time the police arrived an undertaker was at the place to take the woman's body.

Dr. Reinhardt, Coroner's physician, performed an autopsy on the woman's body and removed the stomach, lungs and kidneys for a chemical analysis. He gave it as his opinion that Mrs. Cleminson died of chloroform poisoning. Cleminson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Cleminson, wealthy residents of Chicago. The young physician is a graduate of the University of Iowa and of the Hahnemann Medical College, where he finished last June.

Since his graduation his father is said to have been paying his household expenses.

He and his wife have been married for six years and are not known to have had any quarrels. He is 27 years of age, and his wife was 30.

Latel Night Drive Into the Hudson.
Angelo Pesapero, 35 years old, a fruit dealer of 222 Riverside avenue, after calling some friends together to see him take a high drive went over the bank of the Hudson River at 35th street yesterday afternoon and wasn't seen again. He had been practicing in an indoor tank and picked the day out as good for an open air trial. The police had not found the body last night.

WOKED TO FIND HIS WIFE DEAD.

Thinks She Poisoned and Filled Gas Tube
Lenses as She Fell.

Mrs. Edith Cunningham, wife of George A. Cunningham, a construction engineer who has been employed on a number of important works, including the Panama Railroad, the Grand Central terminal and the City Investing Building, was found dead by her husband yesterday morning in their apartment in a boarding house at 114 East Eleventh street. She had died of gas asphyxiation.

Mr. Cunningham is a son of Col. Cunningham of Richmond, Va., and is 35 years old. By his first wife, who was a Miss Britt of Augusta he has a son who is now 4 years old, and is with his father's family in Richmond. In 1907 Mr. Cunningham married Mrs. Edith R. Charter in Tacoma, Wash. Mrs. Charter was a daughter of Mrs. Alice Homer of 500 Dearborn street, Chicago, and had divorced her husband, a Chicago man. She had a daughter by Mr. Charter, who is now 18 years old, and is in Chicago.

After their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham travelled a good deal, visiting Alaska and Mexico, and a few months ago went to North Carolina, where they looked over a piece of country property and decided to buy it. Mr. Cunningham came to New York with his wife to complete negotiations for the purchase.

On Saturday night they sat up late out on a balcony of the boarding house talking over the purchase of the North Carolina estate and planning improvements on it. Several other boarders sat with them. Mr. Cunningham mixed a claret cup, of which all drank, and at 12:30 o'clock he and his wife went to bed.

Mr. Cunningham says that he remembers that, as he was going to sleep, his wife got up and started into a small lavatory, where they had installed a tiny gas stove for heating water. Yesterday morning he awoke at 5:30 o'clock and smelled gas. His wife was not in the bed, and he looked for her. He found her lying dead on the floor in the little lavatory—a sort of passageway between two rooms. The gas tube, which had been attached to the small gas stove on the shelf, was disconnected, and the turncock of the burner above was turned on, as also was that of the second burner of the heater. Both doors of the lavatory were closed. Mr. Cunningham ran out for a doctor, but there was nothing to be done.

Mrs. Cunningham was a handsome woman of strong physique. Her husband says that she had been subject to occasional fainting spells and the only explanation he can suggest of her death is that, seized with one of these spells while about to heat some water, she fell to the floor, pulling the gas tube down as she fell and disconnecting it. The wind blowing in the open windows of the front room was sufficiently strong, he thinks, to blow out the gas at the upper jet and to close the front door of the lavatory, which she might have left only partly open to shield her husband's eyes from the light.

RELIGIOUS RIOT.

Two "Converted" Jews Attempted to Hold
Meeting in the Ghettos of Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, May 30.—The heart of the Jewish district of this city, Central avenue and Clinton street, was the scene this afternoon of a religious riot. The Rev. P. Levinson and the Rev. Max Paula, converted Jews, and several city missionaries, including two or three women, who have been engaged in so-called evangelistic work in that part of the city, undertook to hold a public meeting, having secured formal permission from the city authorities for the holding of a meeting on the streets.

The neighborhood, which had been aroused by former efforts at proselyting, at once manifested earnest resentment. A crowd of fully one thousand persons, about one-half of whom were children, assembled and began to interrupt the speakers. Shouts and all kinds of hootings gradually assumed a terrific volume of sound. Then graphophones were placed in position in nearby windows and made to grind out discordant sounds. Tin cans containing stale milk and other liquids were hurled at the "evangelists." Bricks and other dangerous missiles were also thrown. The greatest confusion ensued as the converted persons were knocked down, trampled upon and bruised and otherwise injured.

The two policemen on duty being unable to control the wildly excited residents of the neighborhood, a half dozen more policemen were rushed to the scene and arrested three Jews and one gentile, who were taken to Police Headquarters and charged with disorderly conduct. Among those arrested was Boris Bogen, superintendent of the United Jewish charities, formerly of New York city, who was acting as a peacemaker among his people.

SHOT WITH STARTER'S PISTOL.

Loaded Cartridge Substituted for a Blank
at Running Practice Meet.

PITTSBURGH, May 30.—Perry C. Barber, the little runner from the Pittsburgh Academy, preparatory school, was accidentally shot last night with the starter's pistol in a race and is tonight dying in St. John's Hospital, while Prof. H. B. Fetterman, who fired the shot, is held in the North Side police station. The police are looking for a student who, it is said, put a loaded cartridge in the starter's pistol in place of a blank. The accident occurred at Riverview Park, about three miles from the school, where Fetterman had taken some of his athletes for a private run in preparation for an athletic school meet. The instructor had seen his runner, and in firing the pistol in some way it became entangled in his coat and he did not fire in the air as he had intended, but at the half kneeling form of Barber, who fell with the bullet in his head.

\$45,000 FOR ELIOT FUND.

Harvard Club Members Practically Complete the Amount to Be Raised.

CINCINNATI, May 30.—An officer of the Associated Harvard Clubs, which were in annual session here for two days, closing last night, said to-day that \$45,000 was raised during the meeting toward the fund of \$150,000 being subscribed by Harvard graduates, the income of which is to be an annual tribute to former President Charles W. Eliot. The sum subscribed here, it is said, practically completes the fund. It is said that Charles P. Taft, brother of President Taft, contributed liberally toward the fund. President Eliot left here early this morning for the West, where he is to make several addresses.

MANY DIE IN TEXAS STORM

TOWN OF ZEPHYR DESTROYED BY TORNADO AND FIRE.

Thirty-two Reported Dead and Fifty-six Injured—Some Are Thought to Have Been Burned to Death After Being Caught in Ruins of Wrecked Houses.

BROWNWOOD, Tex., May 30.—With half of its population dead and wounded, nearly every building in the town demolished and with fire raging in the ruins, the people of Zephyr, fifteen miles east of Brownwood in Brown county, are in a state of terror, demoralization and distress to-day as a result of a tornado that hit the town about midnight Saturday night.

Until they have restored communication it will be impossible to determine the extent of the disaster. The casualties are estimated at not less than 100, of whom twenty-five were instantly killed.

According to a railroad man who reached Brownwood early Sunday morning on a handcar, the tornado was preceded by a hailstorm of unusual severity, the wind following a lull in the fall of the hail.

Coming with a roar that caused sleeping citizens to wake with a start, they scrambled out of bed, only to be caught between the tottering walls of their homes. Soon there were scenes of the wildest excitement and terror from end to end of the village. Women and children, clothed in the scantiest of attire, rushed about the ruins seeking those from whom they had been separated or looking for places of shelter from the storm.

After the first momentary shock of the disaster had passed men, women and children who had escaped death or serious injury turned their attention toward rescuing the dead and dying from the ruins, which were burning.

This work, hampered by darkness and the limited number of able-bodied men, was necessarily slow, and it is feared that some who escaped the wind's fury met a worse fate in the fire that followed.

Relief trains were hurried to the scene and several automobiles carrying physicians, provisions and medical supplies left here early this morning.

A report from Temple says that the conditions are bad and that much damage is feared to have been done to the surrounding country, and the dispatch also states that from twenty to twenty-five are dead, as many more injured and a number of houses destroyed by fire as a result of the ruins of one house catching fire.

While the railroad wire between Temple and Zephyr has been working at intervals the whole of the time of the operation has been taken up in summoning relief to the afflicted, and therefore little news is to be obtained. Many doctors and assistants left Brownwood on handcars to render assistance to the sufferers.

All Saturday afternoon and night a heavy rain and hail storm fell between Brownwood and Zephyr.

Thad T. Cabler, County Clerk, and Thomas Hart, a professor in the Brownwood schools, were among the killed. With their families they were in Zephyr for the night.

Mrs. M. F. Cloy, wife of the superintendent of the Zephyr schools, is so seriously injured that she cannot live.

A little girl had a splinter in her leg, and a boy had a splinter in his arm. She is 3 years old and in a dangerous condition.

Dr. W. S. Wrenn, the town physician, and his wife are both dangerously injured. Of Prof. Cloy's family of five not one escaped without dangerous injuries.

Earl Reasoner, his wife and two children are among the dangerously hurt. Jim Hanks, his wife and five children and J. A. Skinner, his wife and four children are all badly hurt.

DALLAS, Tex., May 30.—Reports to-night say that the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad Company got relief trains, surgeons and general relief to Zephyr from Brownwood and Temple to-day. The dead number thirty-two and the injured fifty-six. Seventy-five houses were destroyed, which practically wiped out the village.

Most of the wounded and the survivors were taken from Zephyr to Brownwood. Burial of the dead will be arranged for to-morrow.

MCLESTER, Okla., May 30.—A tornado which struck the southwestern part of this county at 9 o'clock last night injured many persons and wrecked twenty residences in Ashland. The storm was most destructive a mile east of Ashland. No loss of life is reported. Among the residences wrecked were those of Mr. Beal and Joseph Terry in Ashland and J. H. Barger and Robert Harrington a mile from that town. One dwelling house was struck by lightning and burned. The Ross home was blown fifteen feet from its foundation but was not badly damaged. Many barns were destroyed.

ST. PAUL, May 30.—Seven persons are known to be dead, many are dying and over a score are seriously injured as a result of a tornado which swept over northwestern North Dakota last night. The storm was especially severe at Langdon, where the residence part of the city was practically wiped out, four people killed and twenty injured.

The tornado demolished all the buildings of the Jamestown Fair Association, the loss being \$50,000, and several other large buildings.

Cassellton, Devil's Lake and other towns have been cut off from communication and it is feared that the death toll will be greatly increased.

THOUGHT HE HAD A THIEF.

Police Couldn't Find Him When Dr. Wiggins Telephoned for Them.

Dr. Frederick H. Wiggins, telephoned to the police last night to please hurry to his house, at 35 West Thirty-sixth street, and get a thief that he had looked up in the basement. Detectives couldn't find anybody when they got there. Mrs. Wiggins had gone to the basement of the house about 5 o'clock and saw a man standing in the shadow of the ice box. She ran out the area door, slamming it behind her. Then she ran up the steps and rang the front door bell. Dr. Wiggins left her in and telephoned. The police supposed that the visitor followed Mrs. Wiggins to the street.

SEEK REBEL LEADERS IN LIMA.

Stern Punishment Threatened—People
Demand Revolt—Hundred Were Killed.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
LIMA, Peru, May 30.—Last night, on account of the attempted coup d'état in the daytime, was one of anxiety for all the residents of the capital. Occasionally shots were heard here and there but there was no serious disturbance. Martial law had been proclaimed and strong forces of troops patrolled the streets.

The actual fighting in the afternoon between the rebels and the Government forces did not last much over an hour, but about a hundred on both sides were killed. The number of wounded has not been definitely ascertained, but is known to have been large.

Everything is quiet here to-day but the troops are still very vigilant. People are not permitted to assemble on the streets. A close search is being made for the leaders of the uprising and they will be punished severely if captured.

The temper displayed by the people generally in firmly supporting the Government shows that they will not tolerate revolutions, which have done so much heretofore to set back the advance and damage the prosperity of Peru.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—About a hundred people were killed in yesterday's revolutionary outbreak in Lima, according to dispatches received at the State Department from Leslie Combs, the American Minister to Peru. The State Department was greatly surprised at the revolt, as there had been no warning of impending trouble. The Department is in the dark as to the cause.

The revolution was apparently as quickly ended as it was started. A dispatch from Mr. Combs told of the seizure of President Leguia by the revolutionary forces. The troops of the Government at first failed to act in the crisis.

A few hours later another dispatch from Mr. Combs informed the Department that the President had gained the upper hand and had been reinstated under military protection. The Government troops appeared loyal, and Mr. Combs does not think there will be any further trouble.

Mr. Combs said in his last dispatch that about a hundred were killed and that they were mostly "onlookers."

TRAPPED BY RACING AUTOS.

Albert Hunt of Rye Thrown From His
Buggy and Badly Hurt.

NEW ROCHELLE, May 30.—Albert Hunt, 25 years old, the son of David Hunt, a well known contractor of Rye, while driving into New Rochelle in a light runabout late last night rounded a trolley car which was standing on the lower main street and saw two automobiles dashing toward him. Before he could turn to the side of the road one of them struck his rig and demolished it.

Hunt was thrown out and stunned so badly that he has not yet fully regained consciousness. He is in the hospital at New Rochelle. His horse was badly out and may have to be shot.

The owner of the car which struck the runabout, Charles McD. Pullen, was arrested, but the other car got away. Henry Van Vleet, an employee of a local garage, says that the two cars were racing and must have been travelling at the rate of from forty to forty-five miles an hour.

Pullen was arraigned this morning before Judge Schlesinger and paroled until Tuesday in the custody of his father to await the result of Hunt's injuries.

At the place where the accident occurred an automobile driven by Pullen's son, Charles E. Pullen, editor of the New Catholic Encyclopedia, three years ago ran down and killed a laundryman who was delivering laundry on his wheel. Mr. Pullen was exonerated by the Coroner. The testimony showed that the accident was unavoidable.

TAFT OFF FOR GETTYSBURG.

Will Deliver Address at Monument In-
velling There To-day.

PITTSBURGH, May 30.—President Taft left Pittsburgh to-night at 11:10 o'clock for Gettysburg, where to-morrow he will make a speech at the unveiling of a monument to the Regular soldiers who fell in the civil war. The monument will be unveiled by Miss Helen Taft, the President's daughter, who will come from Washington for the occasion.

The President was accompanied by Charles P. Taft, his brother, who arrived in Pittsburgh yesterday morning from Cincinnati. Capt. Archibald W. Butt, U. S. A., the President's military aide, and Wendell P. Mitchell, assistant secretary to the President, were also members of the party.

The President's car will reach York, Pa., shortly after 5 o'clock to-morrow morning and will lay over there for three hours before starting for Gettysburg. The President's party is scheduled to arrive at Gettysburg shortly before noon and after the exercises will leave for Washington about 4 o'clock, arriving shortly after 8 o'clock Monday night.

Mr. Taft spent Sunday quietly at the home of Thomas K. Laughlin, Jr., Mr. Taft's brother-in-law, whose guest he was during his stay in Pittsburgh. He attended services this morning at the First Unitarian Church and listened to a sermon by the Rev. Dr. L. Walter Mason. Mr. Taft was accompanied by Capt. Butt. He spent the afternoon at the Laughlin home and many friends called to pay their respects.

Mr. Taft said his stay in Pittsburgh had been very pleasant. He expressed gratification at the settlement of the Georgia Railroad strike through the efforts of the Hon. Neil C. Connors, of Lehigh, and Martin A. Knapp, chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Mr. Taft regarded the strike as serious because the labor feature of the dispute was complicated with the race issue.

W. A. Clark Preparing to Break Into the Senate Again.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 30.—Former United States Senator W. A. Clark of New York and Montana is again planning to break into the United States Senate. He is already fixing up his fences in Montana and preparing to make the race of his life against Senator Thomas H. Carter, who comes up for reelection one year hence.

Montana has now a Democratic Governor and a Republican Legislature, but on Senatorial figures the completion of the Legislature is always in doubt.

HITS BOY, BEATS PURSUERS

EIGHT AUTOS CHASE A CAR
TO CONEY ISLAND.

Chauffeur Speeds Faster After Striking a
Child in Bath Beach and Leads a Pursuing Pack Until Lost on Surf Avenue.
—Child Is Badly Hurt and May Die.

A touring car carrying two men passengers and a chauffeur beat eight pursuing automobiles to Coney Island after a long chase yesterday afternoon and was lost on Surf avenue among other machines—all this after running down a seven-year-old boy and hurting him so badly that he may die.

The boy, Carl Meserole, who lives with his mother at Bay Twelfth street and Crosey avenue, went to a baseball game near his home yesterday afternoon. After the game he started home by way of Crosey avenue, which is the main automobile thoroughfare to Coney Island by way of Bath Beach and Ulmer Park. He was crossing the avenue near his home when a touring car came along at high speed, caught him with the left front wheel and hurled him unconscious to the sidewalk.

At the moment eight other machines were near the spot. Men and women in these cars called to the driver of the offending car to stop, but when he saw a crowd gathering he put on full speed and went off in a cloud of dust toward Ulmer Park. The other cars started in pursuit.

The driver of the fleeing auto opened his machine to the limit. The nine cars went flying through Bath Beach on Crosey avenue and into Harway avenue in Ulmer Park. From there the pursued car hit it up even faster and gained such a lead that when it reached Surf avenue in Coney Island there was plenty of time to slow down and become one of the hundreds of machines driving slowly up and down the avenue.

The other cars went on to the station house and the matter was reported to Capt. Devanney. Some of the pursuers thought they had caught the number of the car which struck Meserole, but they gave Devanney several different numbers. Detectives failed to find a car or the island of any of the alleged numbers.

After being struck the boy lay still on the sidewalk. Mrs. Meserole, who heard the shouts, ran out of her home to see what was wrong and was the first to reach him. She carried him home and then summoned Dr. John Voorhes, who lives near by, and Dr. Welby from the Coney Island Hospital.

It was found that the boy was badly bruised and probably injured internally. He regained consciousness two hours later. The physicians said that while it was apparent that his condition was serious they could not tell until to-day whether he would get well.

A little before midnight Isaac N. Sothorn of 310 West Ninety-seventh street called at the Tendorlin station in Manhattan and said that he understood that the police had the number of a machine formerly owned by him as that of the car which had run down the Meserole boy. Mr. Sothorn said that he had sold the machine last week to Edward Arlington, who he said lived in Bath Beach.

Edward Arlington lives at 403 Thirtieth avenue, Bath Beach. Some one who said he was a member of the family declined last night to say anything about the matter except that no policeman had called.

James Mocklam, dodging in and out among the automobiles on Surf avenue at West Eighth street, Coney Island, last night was run down by a machine driven by Emil J. Montigny of 468 Fifth street, Brooklyn, who is manager of an importing house in Manhattan. A crowd gathered to see what was the matter.

Two detectives hopped on the running board of the automobile, drew their pocket sticks and told the crowd to keep back. Then they picked up Mocklam and hurried him to the Coney Island Reception Hospital. He had only a few bruises on his thigh and a scratch or two. He remarked when he found that he wasn't hurt much that he wanted Montigny arrested.

The policemen took the importer to the station. Lieut. Walsh accepted a ring of Mrs. Montigny's for bail. Mocklam went to his home, Ninety-first street and Fifth avenue, Fort Hamilton.

AUTOMOBILE KILLS A BOY

Who Was Stealing Hides on a Trolley
Car and Fell Off.

A nine-year-old fellow fell from the back of an East Broadway car last night and was run over by an automobile which was following behind the car. The boy was killed. The car was driven by a man who was identified last night by Myr. Suwalsky of 31 Henry street as his son Myr.

The boy had been teasing the conductor by stealing rides on the rear of the car. At East Broadway and Rutgers street in attempting to dodge the conductor's hand he fell from the car. Before the automobile could stop its wheels had passed over the boy's head. The chauffeur jumped out and did what he could for the boy and Policeman McCarthy from the Madison street station rang for an ambulance.

The chauffeur, Leonard M. Guttenplan, of 638 Fifth street, was arrested. The car is owned by the Imperial Auto Company of 76 East Second street. There were no passengers. Guttenplan was very much distressed by the accident. The police will not tell him of the boy's death until the morning. It was his first accident, Guttenplan declared, in the seven years he has driven cars.

CRAZY MAN IN CHURCH

Interrupts the Sermon With Shouts
—Raped and Carried Out.

Father Henry Murray had just finished his sermon in the Roman Catholic Church of St. Rose of Lima in Rockaway yesterday when John Strika, a machanic, jumped from his seat and began shouting. He didn't like the sermon, he said. Father De Polla tried to quiet him, but he became violent.

There were about nine hundred persons in the church at the time and when Strika began to threaten many of the women ran to the street. Policemen had to be called to the church to keep the peace. Strika was removed to the Long Island City Hospital for observation.

FIVE DEAD ON U. S. COLLIER.

Gas Generated From Nantahan's Cargo
—Brave Filipino Saves Officers.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
HONGKONG, May 30.—The American collier Nantahan was partly flooded in a typhoon which she encountered recently while bound to this port from Manila. The influx of water generated foul gases. Officers Larkin and Rapp and three of the crew were suffocated.

Capt. Carter is in a serious condition from inhaling gases. He owes his life to the valor of a Filipino of the name of Cruz, who rescued him from his cabin.

Cruz went into the officers' cabins at the risk of his own life seven times. He succeeded in bringing out all the occupants with the exception of Larkin and Rapp. These two when they were finally taken out could not be resuscitated.

Cruz was half suffocated each time he went into the cabins.

The collier Nantahan, attached to the Pacific fleet, is a vessel of 4,950 tons, 300 feet long and 35 feet beam. She had a capacity of 2,900 tons exclusive of her own bunkers. All her officers and men are civilians.

SIX LOST IN BOSTON HARBOR.

Forty Mile Gale Overturns Many Boats
—No Bodies Recovered.

BOSTON, May 30.—Six lives were taken in Boston harbor to-day by a forty mile wind which swept the waters and with treacherous currents caused the capsizing of many boats.

Raymond Von Limburg, cigar maker, of South Boston was drowned by the overturning of the sloop Lillian A. of Thompson's island, his five companions being rescued.

Two unknown men were drowned in Hull Gut, where their rowboat overturned, and three other unknowns lost their lives by the capsizing of a dory off Apple Island, near Shirley Gut.

There were many witnesses to each of the accidents, but none was near enough to render saving aid. None of the bodies was recovered.

BLIND MERCHANT HELD UP

Just Because He Was Blind—Ellis Island
Routine.

James Conagata, a merchant of St. Croix who has been travelling in France, was detained for a short time at Ellis Island on Saturday night on his arrival here by the American Line steamship Philadelphia. Mr. Conagata is blind. He produced papers which showed that he was well able to provide for himself. Mr. Conagata further stated that he intended remaining here only a short time.

TWO EARTHQUAKES YESTERDAY.

Were Far Apart, but Seismographs in
Mileto, Italy, Got Record.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
ROME, May 30.—The seismographs at the Mileto Observatory registered two earthquakes to-day.

One was in the morning close by. The second was in the afternoon and it was at a distance.

MRS. ANNIS IN VAUDEVILLE.

Plays the Piano in a Sketch to Earn
Money for Her Children.

Mrs. William E. Annis appeared in vaudeville last night at Morrison's Theatre, Rockaway. Mrs. Annis appears with four men in a musical sketch in which she plays a piano. She was nervous when she came out, but the audience gave her a hearty welcome and she soon regained her confidence.

Mrs. Annis told reporters that she had gone on the stage not because of the notoriety the trial had given her but because she needed money to support her children and the piano was her only means of earning it.

NEW KIND OF ECLIPSE.

Prof. Brashear Announces a Celestial
Novelty for June 17.

PITTSBURGH, May 30.—Prof. John A. Brashear of Allegheny this evening in a signed statement says that the eclipse of the sun on June 17 will be unlike any other eclipse within the knowledge of man. In part Prof. Brashear says:

"The eclipse will be of a very interesting character from the fact that for a few seconds it will be annular eclipse, then change to a total eclipse, then back to annular eclipse for the second time."

"The writer cannot find record of such an occurrence in any history of astronomy, although we have records of annular eclipses for 400 years and of total eclipses for thousands of years. The eclipse as a partial phase of greater or lesser magnitude will sweep over the North American continent from the north, decreasing in size as it passes down through Canada and the States."

"The central line of a totality commences southeast of Tomak, in Siberian Russia, courses only a few miles south of the north pole of the earth, skirts the